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In re application of

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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR TRANSFERRING, IN PARTICULAR, FLAVOURING  
AGENTS IN CIGARETTES

**REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT OF CLAIM FOR PRIORITY AND  
RECEIPT OF CERTIFIED PRIORITY DOCUMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The priority document for the above identified application was filed on June 15, 2006 and the undersigned attorney has confirmed that said priority document is in the PAIR system of the USPTO; however, no acknowledgement of either the claim for priority or receipt of the certified priority document has been made by the Examiner. Patent Office. Accordingly, confirmation of the receipt of the priority document is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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